

## Acronyms and Terms

|                |                                                   |                 |                                                                                                    |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ac             | acres                                             | mi              | miles                                                                                              |
| AEI            | Area of Environmental Interest                    | mrem            | millirem                                                                                           |
| AOA            | air operation area                                | MSE             | mechanically stabilized earth                                                                      |
| AOC            | area of concern                                   | NAAQS           | National Ambient Air Quality Standards                                                             |
| BMPs           | best management practices                         | NEPA            | <i>National Environmental Policy Act of 1969</i>                                                   |
| CFR            | Code of Federal Regulations                       | NMAC            | New Mexico Administrative Code                                                                     |
| cm             | centimeter                                        | NMED            | New Mexico Environment Department                                                                  |
| dBA            | A-weighted decibel frequency scale                | NNSA            | National Nuclear Security Administration                                                           |
| DDA            | debris disposal area                              | OFZ             | object free zone                                                                                   |
| DOE            | (U.S.) Department of Energy                       | PL              | Public Law                                                                                         |
| EA             | Environmental Assessment                          | PPE             | personal protective equipment                                                                      |
| EIS            | Environmental Impact Statement                    | PRs             | potential release sites                                                                            |
| EM             | DOE Office of Environmental Management            | RCRA            | <i>Resource Conservation and Recovery Act</i>                                                      |
| EPA            | (U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency            | RFI             | RCRA facility investigation                                                                        |
| ESA            | Endangered Species Act                            | ROD             | Record of Decision                                                                                 |
| ET             | evapotranspiration                                | SR              | State Road                                                                                         |
| FAA            | Federal Aviation Association                      | SWEIS           | Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of Los Alamos National Laboratory |
| ft             | feet                                              | SWMU            | solid waste management unit                                                                        |
| ha             | hectares                                          | TA              | Technical Area                                                                                     |
| HSWA           | Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments              | UC              | University of California                                                                           |
| in.            | inch                                              | U.S.            | United States                                                                                      |
| km             | kilometers                                        | USC             | United States Code                                                                                 |
| LANL           | Los Alamos National Laboratory                    | USFWS           | United States Fish and Wildlife Service                                                            |
| LANSCE         | Los Alamos Neutron Science Center                 | VCM             | voluntary corrective measure                                                                       |
| LASO           | Los Alamos Site Office                            | yd <sup>3</sup> | cubic yards                                                                                        |
| MatCon™        | Modified Asphalt Technology for Waste Containment |                 |                                                                                                    |
| m              | meters                                            |                 |                                                                                                    |
| m <sup>3</sup> | cubic meters                                      |                 |                                                                                                    |
| MEI            | maximally exposed individual                      |                 |                                                                                                    |

**EXPONENTIAL NOTATION:** Many values in the text and tables of this document are expressed in exponential notation. An exponent is the power to which the expression, or number, is raised. This form of notation is used to conserve space and to focus attention on comparisons of the order of magnitude of the numbers (see examples):

|                    |   |        |
|--------------------|---|--------|
| $1 \times 10^4$    | = | 10,000 |
| $1 \times 10^2$    | = | 100    |
| $1 \times 10^0$    | = | 1      |
| $1 \times 10^{-2}$ | = | 0.01   |
| $1 \times 10^{-4}$ | = | 0.0001 |

### Metric Conversions Used in this Document

| Multiply                        | By    | To Obtain                            |
|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Length</b>                   |       |                                      |
| inch (in.)                      | 2.54  | centimeters (cm)                     |
| feet (ft)                       | 0.30  | meters (m)                           |
| yards (yd)                      | 0.91  | meters (m)                           |
| miles (mi)                      | 1.61  | kilometers (km)                      |
| <b>Area</b>                     |       |                                      |
| acres (ac)                      | 0.40  | hectares (ha)                        |
| square feet (ft <sup>2</sup> )  | 0.09  | square meters (m <sup>2</sup> )      |
| square yards (yd <sup>2</sup> ) | 0.84  | square meters (m <sup>2</sup> )      |
| square miles (mi <sup>2</sup> ) | 2.59  | square kilometers (km <sup>2</sup> ) |
| <b>Volume</b>                   |       |                                      |
| gallons (gal.)                  | 3.79  | liters (L)                           |
| cubic feet (ft <sup>3</sup> )   | 0.03  | cubic meters (m <sup>3</sup> )       |
| cubic yards (yd <sup>3</sup> )  | 0.76  | cubic meters (m <sup>3</sup> )       |
| <b>Weight</b>                   |       |                                      |
| ounces (oz)                     | 28.35 | grams (g)                            |
| pounds (lb)                     | 0.45  | kilograms (kg)                       |
| short ton (ton)                 | 0.91  | metric ton (t)                       |